



**MINUTES**  
**OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, September 17, 2020**

**MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
Mr. John Elliott, Chair Pro Tem, District I  
Mr. Paul Cain, Vice Chair, District III  
Mr. Julian Davis III, Chairman, District IV  
Mr. Glenn Hart, District V  
Mr. Wayne McCall, District II

Oconee County Council met at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members [except Mr. McCall; Mr. Elliott via FaceTime], County Administrator Amanda F. Brock, County Attorney David Root, & Katie D. Smith, Clerk to Council present.

**Press:** Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [[www.oconeesc.com/council](http://www.oconeesc.com/council)]. In addition, it was made available [*upon request*] to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Members of the press present: Dick Mangrum / 101.7 WGOG & Caitlin Herrington / The Journal

**Call to Order:**

Mr. Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Public Hearing for the Following Ordinance**

**Ordinance 2020-18** “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2020-01 THE BUDGET FOR OCONEE COUNTY AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR ORDINARY COUNTY PURPOSES, FOR THE TRI-COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FOR THE EMERGENCY SERVICES PROTECTION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FOR THE ROAD MAINTENANCE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FOR THE BRIDGE AND CULVERT CAPITAL PROJECT FUND, FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CAPITAL PROJECT FUND, FOR THE DEBT SERVICE FUND, FOR THE VICTIM SERVICES SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS, FOR THE CAPITAL VEHICLE / EQUIPMENT FUND, ALL IN OCONEE COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2021.”

Mr. Davis opened the floor for Public Comment

Mr. Jerry Barnett addressed Council regarding the budget, eliminating positions, cost benefit, work vehicles, and merit pay system for employees.

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Mr. Davis asked if any other citizens wished to address Council; no other citizen addressed Council.

Mr. Davis asked if any citizens wished to submit written comments regarding this ordinance; no citizen presented any written comments for the record.

Mr. Davis closed the Public Hearing regarding **Ordinance 2020-18**.

**Third Reading of the Following Ordinance**  
**Ordinance 2020-18** [see caption above]

Mr. Cain made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, to approve **Ordinance 2020-18** on third & final reading.

Discussion continued to include:

- Proud of our employees
- Leadership of Sheriff Crenshaw and appreciative of officers/staff
- Accountability of employees
- Long period of time with no raises

Regarding the previous motion made by Mr. Cain, seconded by Mr. Hart, it was approved 4 – 0, to approve **Ordinance 2020-18** on third & final reading.

**Millage Proposal for Tax Year 2020**

Ms. Christy Hubbard, Oconee County Auditor, addressed Council utilizing a PowerPoint presentation entitled “2021 Fiscal Year, 2020 Tax Year Millage Presentation” [copy filed with backup materials] and gave a brief presentation.

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 4 – 0, to accept the Auditor’s millage recommendation with the exception of the School District of Oconee County [SDOC] and hold millage the same.

**Adjourn:**

Mr. Hart made a motion, approved unanimously, to adjourn at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Katie D. Smith  
Clerk to Council

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